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9 May 2012

Mr. Kevin Manning  
Vice President  
Arogas, Inc.  
P.O. Box 580  
St. Peters, MO 63376

CERTIFIED MAIL  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Re: Issuance of VPDES Permit No. VA0092649  
Arogas, Inc., d.b.a. Mr. Fuel

Dear Mr. Manning:

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has approved the enclosed effluent limitations and monitoring requirements for the aforementioned permit. A copy of permit, fact sheet and Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) form are enclosed. Please make additional copies of the DMR for future use. The first DMR submittal for the month of June is due by 10 July 2012. Please send DMRs to:

Virginia Department of Environmental Quality  
Northern Regional Office  
13901 Crown Court  
Woodbridge, VA 22193-1453

Please reference the effluent limits in your permit and report monitoring results to the same number of significant digits as are included in the permit limits for the parameter.

DEQ has launched an electronic DMR (eDMR) program that allows you to submit the effluent monitoring data electronically and we expect every permittee to use eDMR as permits are issued or reissued. Answers to frequently asked questions about the eDMR system are available at <http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/Water/PermittingCompliance/ElectronicDMRsubmissions.aspx>. The regional contact for eDMR is Rebecca Vice; she can be reached at 703-583-3922 or via e-mail at [Rebecca.Vice@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:Rebecca.Vice@deq.virginia.gov).

As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, you have thirty days from the date of service (the date you actually received this decision or the date it was mailed to you, whichever occurred first) within which to appeal this decision by filing a notice of appeal in accordance with the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia with the Director, Department of Environmental Quality. In the event that this decision is served on you by mail, three days are added to that period.

Alternately, any owner under §§ 62.1-44.16, 62.1-44.17, and 62.1-44.19 of the State Water Control Law aggrieved by any action of the State Water Control Board taken without a formal hearing, or by inaction of the Board, may demand in writing a formal hearing of such owner's grievance, provided a petition requesting such hearing is filed with the Board. Said petition must meet the requirements set forth in §1.23(b) of the Board's Procedural Rule No. 1. In cases involving actions of the Board, such petition must be filed within thirty days after notice of such action is mailed to such owner by certified mail.

Please contact Douglas Frasier at 703-583-3873 or via email at [Douglas.Frasier@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:Douglas.Frasier@deq.virginia.gov), if you have questions about the permit.

Respectfully,



Bryant Thomas  
Water Permits Manager

Enc.: Permit No. VA0092649  
Fact Sheet for VA0092649  
Discharge Monitoring Report

cc: DEQ-Water, OWPP  
EPA-Region III, 3WP12  
Department of Health, Culpeper  
Water Compliance, NRO

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM(NPDES)  
DISCHARGE MONITORING REPORT(DMR)

Industrial Minor 05/04/2012  
DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
(REGIONAL OFFICE)  
Northern Regional Office  
13901 Crown Court

Woodbridge VA 22193

VA0092649	001				
PERMIT NUMBER	DISCHARGE NUMBER				
MONITORING PERIOD					
YEAR	MO	DAY	YEAR	MO	DAY
			TO		

NAME Mr Fuel 291  
ADDRESS 23818 Rogers Clark Blvd  
Ruther Glen VA 22546  
FACILITY NE corner VA 207 and 652  
LOCATION

NOTE: READ PERMIT AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS  
BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM.

FROM

PARAMETER	QUANTITY OR LOADING		QUALITY OR CONCENTRATION				NO. EX.	FREQUENCY OF ANALYSIS	SAMPLE TYPE
	AVERAGE	MAXIMUM	UNITS	MINIMUM	AVERAGE	MAXIMUM			
001 FLOW	REPORTD			*****	*****	*****			
	REQRMNT	NL	MGD	*****	*****	*****		1/M	EST
002 PH	REPORTD	*****		*****	*****				
	REQRMNT	*****		6.0	*****	9.0	0	1/M	GRAB
257 PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS, TOTAL RECOVI	REPORTD	*****		*****	*****				
	REQRMNT	*****		*****	*****	15	0	1/M	GRAB
293 NAPHTHALENE (AS C10H8)	REPORTD	*****		*****	*****				
	REQRMNT	*****		*****	*****	10	0	1/M	GRAB
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ADDITIONAL PERMIT REQUIREMENTS OR COMMENTS

BYPASSES AND OVERFLOWS	TOTAL OCCURRENCES	TOTAL FLOW(M.G.)	TOTAL BOD5(K.G.)	OPERATOR IN RESPONSIBLE CHARGE			DATE					
				TYPED OR PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE	CERTIFICATE NO.	YEAR	MO.	DAY			
I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF LAW THAT THIS DOCUMENT AND ALL ATTACHMENTS WERE PREPARED UNDER MY DIRECTION OR SUPERVISION IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SYSTEM DESIGNED TO ASSURE THAT QUALIFIED PERSONNEL PROPERLY GATHER AND EVALUATE THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED. BASED ON MY INQUIRY OF THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO MANAGE THE SYSTEM OR THOSE PERSONS DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR GATHERING THE INFORMATION, THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IS TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF TRUE, ACCURATE AND COMPLETE. I AM AWARE THAT THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT PENALTIES FOR SUBMITTING FALSE INFORMATION, INCLUDING THE POSSIBILITY OF FINE AND IMPRISONMENT FOR KNOWING VIOLATIONS.				PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER OR AUTHORIZED AGENT	TELEPHONE							
				TYPED OR PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE		YEAR	MO.	DAY			

This report is required by your VPDES permit and by law. (See, e.g., the Code of Virginia of 1950 §62.1-44.5 and 9 VAC 25-31-50.) Failure to report or failure to report truthfully can result in civil penalties of \$32,500 per violation, per day and felony prosecutions which can carry a 15 year term.

### DISCHARGE MONITORING REPORT (DMR) - GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Complete this form in permanent ink or indelible pencil. The use of 'correction fluid/tape' is not allowed.
2. Be sure to enter the dates for the first and last day of the period covered by the report on the form in the space marked "Monitoring Period".
3. For those parameters where the "permit requirement" spaces have a requirement or limitation, provide data in the "reported" spaces in accordance with your permit.
4. Enter the average and maximum quantities and units in the "reported" spaces in the columns marked "Quantity or Loading".  
 $\text{KG/DAY} = \text{Concentration (mg/L)} \times \text{Flow (MGD)} \times 3.785$        $\text{G/D (Grams/Day)} = \text{Concentration (mg/L)} \times \text{Flow (MGD)} \times 3785$
5. Enter maximum, minimum, and/or average concentrations and units in the "reported" spaces in the columns marked "Quality or Concentration".
6. For all parameters enter the number of samples which do not comply with the maximum and/or minimum permit requirements in the "reported" space in the column marked "No. Ex." (Number of Exceedances). If none, enter "0". Do NOT include monthly average violations in this field. Include any Maximum 7-Day Average and Maximum Weekly Average violations in this field. Permittees with continuous pH, or temperature monitoring requirements should consult the permit for what constitutes an exceedance and report accordingly.
7. You are required to sample (at a minimum) according to the Sample Frequencies and Sample Types specified in your permit.
8. Enter the actual frequency of analysis for each parameter (number of times per day, week, month, etc.) in the "reported" space in the column marked "Frequency of Analysis".
9. Enter the actual type of sample (Grab, 8HC, 24HC, etc) collected for each parameter in the "reported" space in the column marked "Sample Type".
10. Enter additional required data or comments in the space marked "additional permit requirements or comments". If additional required data or comments are appended to the DMR, reference appended correspondence in this field.
11. Record the number of bypasses during the month, the total flow in million gallons (MG) and BOD5 in kilograms (KG) in the proper columns in the section marked "Bypasses and Overflows".
12. The operator in responsible charge of the facility should review the form and sign in the space provided. If the plant is required to have a licensed operator or if the operator in responsible charge of the facility is a licensed operator, the operator's signature and certificate number must be reported in the spaces provided.
13. The principal executive officer then reviews the form and must sign in the space provided and provide a telephone number where he/she can be reached. Every page of the DMR must have an original signature.
14. Send the completed form(s) with original signatures to your Department of Environmental Quality Regional Office by the 10th of each month unless otherwise specified in the permit.
15. You are required to retain a copy of the report for your records.
16. Where violations of permit requirements are reported, attach a brief explanation in accordance with the permit requirements describing causes and corrective actions taken. Reference each separate violation by date.
17. If you have any questions, contact the Department of Environmental Quality Regional Office listed on the DMR.



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Permit No. **VA0092649**

Effective Date: **May 8, 2012**

Expiration Date: **May 7, 2017**

### AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE VIRGINIA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND THE VIRGINIA STATE WATER CONTROL LAW

In compliance with the provisions of the Clean Water Act as amended and pursuant to the State Water Control Law and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, the following owner is authorized to discharge in accordance with the information submitted with the permit application, and with this permit cover page, Part I – Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements, and Part II – Conditions Applicable To All VPDES Permits and the Stormwater Management requirements as set forth herein.

Owner Name: Arogas, Inc. d.b.a. Mr. Fuel  
Facility Name: Arogas, Inc. d.b.a. Mr. Fuel  
County: Caroline  
Facility Location: 23818 Rogers Clark Boulevard, Ruther Glen, VA 22546

The owner is authorized to discharge to the following receiving stream:

Stream Name: Reedy Creek, UT  
River Basin: York River  
River Subbasin: None  
Section: 3  
Class: III  
Special Standards: None

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Thomas A. Faha", written over a horizontal line.

Thomas A. Faha  
Director, Northern Regional Office  
Department of Environmental Quality

May 8, 2012  
Date

**A. Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements****1. Outfall 001 – Oil/Water Separator (OWS)**

- a. There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.
- b. During the period beginning with the permit's effective date and lasting until the expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge from Outfall Number 001. Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below.

Parameter	Discharge Limitations				Monitoring Requirements	
	<u>Monthly Average</u> <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Daily Maximum</u> <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u> <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Sample Type</u>
Flow (MGD)	NL	NA	NA	NL	1/M	ESTIMATE
pH	NA	NA	6.0 S.U.	9.0 S.U.	1/M	Grab
Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH) <sup>(2)</sup>	NA	NA	NA	15 mg/L	1/M	Grab
Naphthalene	NA	NA	NA	10 µg/L	1/M	Grab

NA = Not applicable.

MGD = Million gallons per day.

1/M = Once every month.

NL = No limit; monitor and report.

S.U. = Standard units.

Grab = An individual sample collected over a period of time not to exceed 15-minutes.

Estimate = Reported flow is to be based on the technical evaluation of the sources contributing to the discharge.

<sup>(1)</sup> See Part I.B.<sup>(2)</sup> Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH) shall be analyzed using EPA SW 846 Method 8015 for diesel range organics or by EPA SW 846 Method 8270 Extended.

**B. Quantification Levels and Compliance Reporting****1. Quantification Levels**

- a. The quantification levels (QL) shall be less than or equal to the following concentrations:

<u>Characteristic</u>	<u>Quantification Level</u>
TPH	0.50 mg/L

- b. The QL is defined as the lowest concentration used to calibrate a measurement system in accordance with the procedures published for the method. The permittee shall use any method in accordance with Part II.A. of this permit.
- c. It is the responsibility of the permittee to ensure that proper quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) protocols are followed during the sampling and analytical procedures. QA/QC information shall be documented to confirm that appropriate analytical procedures have been used and the required QLs have been attained.
- d. An appropriate analytical method for metals shall be selected from the following list of EPA methods, or any approved method in 40 CFR Part 136, which will achieve a QL that is less than or equal to the QL specified in B.1.a. above.

**2. Compliance Reporting for parameters in Part I.A.**

- a. Daily Maximum – Compliance with the daily maximum limitations and/or reporting requirements for the parameters listed in Part I.B.1.a. shall be determined as follows: All concentration data below the QL of the measurement system shall be treated as zero. All concentration data equal to or above the QL shall be treated as reported. An arithmetic average shall be calculated using all reported data, including the defined zeros, collected within each day during the reporting month. The maximum value of these daily averages thus determined shall be reported on the DMR as the Daily Maximum. If all data are below the QL, then the maximum value of the daily averages shall be reported as "< QL". If reporting for quantity is required on the DMR and the reported daily maximum concentration is < QL, then report "< QL" for the quantity. Otherwise use the reported daily average concentrations (including the defined zeros) and corresponding daily flows to determine daily average quantities and report the maximum of the daily average quantities during the reporting month.
- b. Single Datum – Any single datum required shall be reported as < QL if it is less than the QL as defined above. Otherwise the numerical value shall be reported.
- c. Significant Digits – The permittee shall report at least the same number of significant digits as the permit limit for a given parameter. Regardless of the rounding convention used (i.e., 5 always rounding up or to the nearest even number) by the permittee, the permittee shall use the convention consistently and shall ensure that consulting laboratories employed by the permittee use the same convention.

### C. Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan Requirements

A stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP) is required to be developed and implemented for the facility. The plan shall include best management practices (BMPs) that are reasonable, economically practicable and appropriate in light of current industry practices. The BMPs shall be selected, designed, installed, implemented and maintained in accordance with good engineering practices to eliminate or reduce the pollutants in all stormwater discharges from the facility. The plan shall also include any control measures necessary for the stormwater discharges to meet applicable water quality standards.

Permittee shall implement the provisions of the stormwater pollution prevention plan as a condition of this permit.

The stormwater pollution prevention plan requirements of this permit may be fulfilled, in part, by incorporating by reference other plans or documents such as a spill prevention control and countermeasure (SPCC) plan developed for the facility under Section 311 of the Clean Water Act, or best management practices (BMP) programs otherwise required for the facility, provided that the incorporated plan meets or exceeds the plan requirements of Part I.C.2. (Contents of the Plan). All plans incorporated by reference into the stormwater pollution prevention plan become enforceable under this permit. If a plan incorporated by reference does not contain all of the required elements of the SWPPP of Part I.C.2. the permittee shall develop the missing SWPPP elements and include them in the required plan.

#### 1. Deadlines for Plan Preparation and Compliance

- a. The facility shall prepare and implement the plan as expeditiously as practicable, but not later than 270 days from the effective date of the permit. Verification of compliance with the aforementioned deadline shall be provided in writing within 10 days of either the deadline or the actual completion date, if completed earlier.
- b. Measures That Require Construction. In cases where construction is necessary to implement measures required by the plan, the plan shall contain a schedule that provides compliance with the plan as expeditiously as practicable; however, no later than 3 years after the effective date of this permit. Where a construction compliance schedule is included in the plan, the schedule shall include appropriate nonstructural and/or temporary controls to be implemented in the affected portion(s) of the facility prior to completion of the permanent control measure.

#### 2. Contents of the Plan

The contents of the SWPPP shall comply with the requirements listed below. The plan shall include, at a minimum, the following items:

- a. Pollution Prevention Team. The plan shall identify the staff individuals by name or title that comprises the facility's stormwater pollution prevention team. The pollution prevention team is responsible for assisting the facility or plant manager in developing, implementing, maintaining, revising and ensuring compliance with the facility's SWPPP. Specific responsibilities of each staff individual on the team shall be identified and listed.
- b. Site Description. The plan shall include the following:
  - (1) Activities at the Facility. A description of the nature of the industrial activities at the facility.
  - (2) General Location Map. A general location map (e.g., USGS quadrangle or other map) with enough detail to identify the location of the facility and the receiving waters within one mile of the facility.
  - (3) Site Map. A site map identifying the following:
    - (a) The size of the property (in acres);
    - (b) The location and extent of significant structures and impervious surfaces (roofs, paved areas and other impervious areas);
    - (c) Locations of all storm water conveyances including ditches, pipes, swales, and inlets, and the directions of stormwater flow (use arrows to show which ways storm water will flow);
    - (d) Locations of all existing structural and source control BMPs;



- (e) Locations of all surface water bodies, including wetlands;
  - (f) Locations of potential pollutant sources identified under Part I.C.2.c;
  - (g) Locations where significant spills or leaks identified under Part I.C.2.d have occurred;
  - (h) Locations of the following activities where such activities are exposed to precipitation: fueling stations; vehicle and equipment maintenance and/or cleaning areas; loading/unloading areas; locations used for the treatment, storage or disposal of wastes; liquid storage tanks; processing and storage areas; access roads, rail cars and tracks; transfer areas for substances in bulk; and machinery;
  - (i) Locations of stormwater outfalls and an approximate outline of the area draining to each outfall, and location of municipal storm sewer systems, if the stormwater from the facility discharges to them;
  - (j) Location and description of all non-stormwater discharges;
  - (k) Location of any storage piles containing salt used for deicing or other commercial or industrial purposes; and
  - (l) Locations and sources of runoff to the site from adjacent property, where the runoff contains significant quantities of pollutants. The permittee shall include an evaluation with the SWPPP of how the quality of the storm water running onto the facility impacts the facility's storm water discharges.
- (4) Receiving Waters and Wetlands. The name of all surface waters receiving discharges from the site, including intermittent streams, dry sloughs and arroyos. Provide a description of wetland sites that may receive discharges from the facility. If the facility discharges through a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4), identify the MS4 operator, and the receiving water to which the MS4 discharges.
- c. Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources. The plan shall identify each separate area at the facility where industrial materials or activities are exposed to storm water. Industrial materials or activities include, but are not limited to: material handling equipment or activities, industrial machinery, raw materials, industrial production and processes, intermediate products, byproducts, final products and waste products. Material handling activities include, but are not limited to: the storage, loading and unloading, transportation, disposal, or conveyance of any raw material, intermediate product, final product or waste product. For each separate area identified, the description shall include:
- (1) Activities in Area. A list of the activities (e.g., material storage, equipment fueling and cleaning, cutting steel beams); and
  - (2) Pollutants. A list of the associated pollutant(s) or pollutant constituents (e.g., crankcase oil, zinc, sulfuric acid, cleaning solvents, etc.) for each activity. The pollutant list shall include all significant materials handled, treated, stored or disposed that have been exposed to stormwater in the three years prior to the date this SWPPP was prepared or amended. The list shall include any hazardous substances or oil at the facility.
- d. Spills and Leaks. The SWPPP shall clearly identify areas where potential spills and leaks that can contribute pollutants to stormwater discharges can occur and their corresponding outfalls. The plan shall include a list of significant spills and leaks of toxic or hazardous pollutants that actually occurred at exposed areas, or that drained to a stormwater conveyance during the three-year period prior to the date this SWPPP was prepared or amended. The list shall be updated if significant spills or leaks occur in exposed areas of the facility during the term of the permit. Significant spills and leaks include releases of oil or hazardous substances in excess of reportable quantities, and may also include releases of oil or hazardous substances that are not in excess of reporting requirements.
- e. Sampling Data. The plan shall include a summary of existing stormwater discharge sampling data taken at the facility. The summary shall include, at a minimum, any data collected during the previous permit term.

f. Storm Water Controls.

- (1) BMPs shall be implemented for all the areas identified in Part I.C.2.c. (Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources) to prevent or control pollutants in stormwater discharges from the facility. All reasonable steps shall be taken to control or address the quality of discharges from the site that may not originate at the facility. The SWPPP shall describe the type, location and implementation of all BMPs for each area where industrial materials or activities are exposed to storm water. Selection of BMPs shall take into consideration:
  - (a) That preventing stormwater from coming into contact with polluting materials is generally more effective, and less costly, than trying to remove pollutants from storm water;
  - (b) BMPs generally shall be used in combination with each other for most effective water quality protection;
  - (c) Assessing the type and quantity of pollutants, including their potential to impact receiving water quality, is critical to designing effective control measures;
  - (d) That minimizing impervious areas at the facility can reduce runoff and improve groundwater recharge and stream base flows in local streams (however, care must be taken to avoid ground water contamination);
  - (e) Flow attenuation by use of open vegetated swales and natural depressions can reduce in-stream impacts of erosive flows;
  - (f) Conservation or restoration of riparian buffers will help protect streams from storm water runoff and improve water quality; and
  - (g) Treatment interceptors (e.g., swirl separators and sand filters) may be appropriate in some instances to minimize the discharge of pollutants.
- (2) Control Measures. The permittee shall implement the following types of BMPs to prevent and control pollutants in the stormwater discharges from the facility, unless it can be demonstrated and documented that such controls are not relevant to the discharges (e.g., there are no storage piles containing salt).
  - (a) Good Housekeeping. The permittee shall keep clean all exposed areas of the facility that are potential sources of pollutants to stormwater discharges. Typical problem areas include areas around trash containers, storage areas, loading docks, and vehicle fueling and maintenance areas. The plan shall include a schedule for regular pickup and disposal of waste materials, along with routine inspections for leaks and conditions of drums, tanks and containers. The introduction of raw, final or waste materials to exposed areas of the facility shall be minimized to the maximum extent practicable. The generation of dust, along with off-site vehicle tracking of raw, final or waste materials or sediments shall be minimized to the maximum extent practicable.
  - (b) Eliminating and Minimizing Exposure. To the extent practicable, industrial materials and activities shall be located inside, or protected by a storm-resistant covering to prevent exposure to rain, snow, snowmelt and runoff. Note: Eliminating exposure at all industrial areas may make the facility eligible for the "Conditional Exclusion for No Exposure" provision of 9VAC25-31-120.E., thereby eliminating the need to have a permit.
  - (c) Preventive Maintenance. The permittee shall have a preventive maintenance program that includes regular inspection, testing, maintenance and repairing of all industrial equipment and systems to avoid breakdowns or failures that could result in leaks, spill and other releases. This program is in addition to the specific BMP maintenance required under Part I.C.3. (Maintenance of BMPs).
  - (d) Spill Prevention and Response Procedures. The plan shall describe the procedures that will be followed for preventing and responding to spills and leaks.
    - (1) Preventive measures include barriers between material storage and traffic areas, secondary containment provisions, and procedures for material storage and handling.

- (2) Response procedures shall include notification of appropriate facility personnel, emergency agencies and regulatory agencies and procedures for stopping, containing and cleaning up spills. Measures for cleaning up hazardous material spills or leaks shall be consistent with applicable RCRA regulations at 40 CFR Part 264 and 40 CFR Part 265. Employees who may cause, detect or respond to a spill or leak shall be trained in these procedures and have necessary spill response equipment available. If possible, one of these individuals shall be a member of the Pollution Prevention Team.
- (3) Contact information for individuals and agencies that must be notified in the event of a spill shall be included in the SWPPP and in other locations where it will be readily available.
- (e) Routine Facility Inspections. Facility personnel who possess the knowledge and skills to assess conditions and activities that could impact stormwater quality at the facility, and who can also evaluate the effectiveness of BMPs shall regularly inspect all areas of the facility where industrial materials or activities are exposed to stormwater. These inspections are in addition to, or as part of, the comprehensive site evaluation required under Part I.C.d. At least one member of the Pollution Prevention Team shall participate in the routine facility inspections.

The inspection frequency shall be specified in the plan based upon a consideration of the level of industrial activity at the facility, but shall be a minimum of quarterly unless more frequent intervals are specified elsewhere in the permit or written approval is received from the Department for less frequent intervals. At least once each calendar year, the routine facility inspection must be conducted during a period when a stormwater discharge is occurring.

Any deficiencies in the implementation of the SWPPP that are found shall be corrected as soon as practicable, but not later than within 30 days of the inspection, unless permission for a later date is granted in writing by the Director. The results of the inspections shall be documented in the SWPPP, along with the date(s) and description(s) of any corrective actions that were taken in response to any deficiencies or opportunities for improvement that were identified.

- (f) Employee Training. The permittee shall implement a storm water employee training program for the facility. The SWPPP shall include a schedule for all types of necessary training, and shall document all training sessions and the employees who received the training. Training shall be provided for all employees who work in areas where industrial materials or activities are exposed to storm water, and for employees who are responsible for implementing activities identified in the SWPPP (e.g., inspectors, maintenance personnel, etc.). The training shall cover the components and goals of the SWPPP, and include such topics as spill response, good housekeeping, material management practices, BMP operation and maintenance etc. The SWPPP shall include a summary of any training performed.
- (g) Sediment and Erosion Control. The plan shall identify areas at the facility that, due to topography, land disturbance (e.g., construction, landscaping, site grading) or other factors, have a potential for soil erosion. The permittee shall identify and implement structural, vegetative and/or stabilization BMPs to prevent or control on-site and off-site erosion and sedimentation. Flow velocity dissipation devices shall be placed at discharge locations and along the length of any outfall channel if the flows would otherwise create erosive conditions.
- (h) Management of Runoff. The plan shall describe the storm water runoff management practices (i.e., permanent structural BMPs) for the facility. These types of BMPs are typically used to divert, infiltrate, reuse or otherwise reduce pollutants in stormwater discharges from the site. Structural BMPs may require a separate permit under § 404 of the CWA and the Virginia Water Protection Permit Program Regulation (9VAC25-210) before installation begins.

### 3. Maintenance

All BMPs identified in the SWPPP shall be maintained in effective operating condition. Stormwater BMPs identified in the SWPPP shall be observed during active operation (i.e., during a stormwater runoff event) to ensure that they are functioning correctly. Where discharge locations are inaccessible, nearby downstream locations shall be observed. The observations shall be documented in the SWPPP.

The SWPPP shall include a description of procedures and a regular schedule for preventive maintenance of all BMPs, and shall include a description of the back-up practices that are in place should a runoff event occur while a BMP is off-line. The effectiveness of nonstructural BMPs shall also be maintained by appropriate means (e.g., spill response supplies available and personnel trained, etc.).

If site inspections required by Part I.C.2.f.(2).(e). (Routine Facility Inspections) or Part I.C.4. (Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation) identify BMPs that are not operating effectively, repairs or maintenance shall be performed before the next anticipated storm event. If maintenance prior to the next anticipated storm event is not possible, maintenance shall be scheduled and accomplished as soon as practicable. In the interim, back-up measures shall be employed and documented in the SWPPP until repairs or maintenance is complete.

Documentation shall be kept with the SWPPP of maintenance and repairs of BMPs, including the date(s) of regular maintenance, date(s) of discovery of areas in need of repair or replacement and for repairs, date(s) that the BMP(s) returned to full function and the justification for any extended maintenance or repair schedules.

#### 4. Comprehensive Site Compliance Evaluation

The permittee shall conduct comprehensive site compliance evaluations at least once a year. The evaluations shall be done by qualified personnel who possess the knowledge and skills to assess conditions and activities that could impact storm water quality at the facility and who can also evaluate the effectiveness of BMPs. The personnel conducting the evaluations may be either facility employees or outside constituents hired by the facility.

- a. Scope of the Compliance Evaluation. Evaluations shall include all areas where industrial materials or activities are exposed to stormwater, as identified in Part I.C.2.c. The personnel shall evaluate:
  - (1) Industrial materials, residue or trash that may have or could come into contact with stormwater;
  - (2) Leaks or spills from industrial equipment, drums, barrels, tanks or other containers that have occurred within the past three years;
  - (3) Off-site tracking of industrial or waste materials or sediment where vehicles enter or exit the site;
  - (4) Tracking or blowing of raw, final or waste materials from areas of no exposure to exposed areas;
  - (5) Evidence of, or the potential for, pollutants entering the drainage system;
  - (6) Evidence of pollutants discharging to surface waters at all facility outfalls and the condition of and around the outfall, including flow dissipation measures to prevent scouring;
  - (7) Review of training performed, inspections completed, maintenance performed, quarterly visual examinations and effective operation of BMPs;
  - (8) Results of any analytical monitoring done during the past year shall be taken into consideration during the evaluation.
- b. Based on the results of the evaluation, the SWPPP shall be modified as necessary (e.g., show additional controls on the map required by Part I.C.2.b.(3); revise the description of controls required by Part I.C.2.f. to include additional or modified BMPs designed to correct problems identified). Revisions to the SWPPP shall be completed within 30 days following the evaluation, unless permission for a later date is granted in writing by the Director. If existing BMPs need to be modified or if additional BMPs are necessary, implementation shall be completed before the next anticipated storm event, if practicable, but not more than 60 days after completion of the comprehensive site evaluation, unless permission for a later date is granted in writing by the Department.

- c. Compliance Evaluation Report. A report shall be written summarizing the scope of the evaluation, name(s) of personnel making the evaluation, the date of the evaluation and all observations relating to the implementation of the SWPPP, including elements stipulated in Part I.C.4.a.(1) through Part I.C.4.a.(6) above. Observations shall include such things as: the location(s) of discharges of pollutants from the site; location(s) of previously unidentified sources of pollutants; location(s) of BMPs that need to be maintained or repaired; location(s) of failed BMPs that need replacement; and location(s) where additional BMPs are needed. The report shall identify any incidents of noncompliance that were observed. Where a report does not identify any incidents of noncompliance, the report shall contain a certification that the facility is in compliance with the SWPPP and this permit. The report shall be signed in accordance with Part II.K (Signatory Requirements) of this permit and maintained with the SWPPP.
- d. Where compliance evaluation schedules overlap with routine inspections required under Part I.C.2.f.(2)(e), the annual compliance evaluation may be used as one of the routine inspections.

5. Signature and Plan Review

- a. Signature/Location. The SWPPP shall be signed in accordance with Part II.K (Signatory Requirements) of this permit, dated and retained on-site at the facility covered by this permit in accordance with Part II.B.2 (Records) of this permit. All other changes to the SWPPP, and other permit compliance documentation, must be signed and dated by the person preparing the change or documentation.
- b. Availability. The permittee shall make the SWPPP, annual site compliance evaluation report and other information available to the Department upon request.
- c. Required Modifications. The Director may notify the permittee at any time that the SWPPP, BMPs or other components of the facility's stormwater program do not meet one or more of the requirements of this permit. The notification shall identify specific provisions of the permit that are not being met, and may include required modifications to the stormwater program, additional monitoring requirements and special reporting requirements.

The permittee shall make any required changes to the SWPPP within 60 days of receipt of such notification, unless permission for a later date is granted in writing by the Director and shall submit a written certification to the Director that the requested changes have been made.

6. Maintaining an Updated SWPPP

- a. The permittee shall review and amend the SWPPP as appropriate whenever:
  - (1) There is construction or a change in design, operation, or maintenance at the facility that has a significant effect on the discharge, or the potential for the discharge, of pollutants from the facility;
  - (2) Routine inspections or compliance evaluations determine that there are deficiencies in the BMPs;
  - (3) Inspections by local, state, or federal officials determine that modifications to the SWPPP are necessary;
  - (4) There is a spill, leak or other release at the facility; or
  - (5) There is an unauthorized discharge from the facility.
- b. SWPPP modifications shall be made within 30 calendar days after discovery, observation or event requiring a SWPPP modification. Implementation of new or modified BMPs (distinct from regular preventive maintenance of existing BMPs described in Part I.C.2.f.2.(c)) shall be initiated before the next storm event if possible, but no later than 60 days after discovery or as otherwise provided or approved by the Director. The amount of time taken to modify a BMP or implement additional BMPs shall be documented in the SWPPP.
- c. If the SWPPP modification is based on a release or unauthorized discharge, include a description and date of the release, the circumstances leading to the release, actions taken in response to the release and measures to prevent the recurrence of such releases. Unauthorized releases and discharges are subject to the reporting requirements of Part II.G. (Reports of Unauthorized Discharges) of this permit.

#### **D. Other Requirements and Special Conditions**

##### **1. Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Manual Requirement**

The permittee shall submit for approval an Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Manual to the Department of Environmental Quality, Northern Regional Office (DEQ-NRO) on or before 8 August 2012. The permittee will maintain an accurate, approved O&M Manual for the treatment works. This manual shall detail the practices and procedures which will be followed to ensure compliance with the requirements of the permit. This manual shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following items, as appropriate:

- a. Techniques to be employed in the collection, preservation and analysis of effluent and sludge samples;
- b. Procedures for measuring and recording the duration and volume of treated wastewater discharged;
- c. Discussion of Best Management Practices, if applicable;
- d. Procedures for handling, storing and disposing of all wastes, fluids and pollutants that will prevent these materials from reaching state waters;
- e. Treatment works design, treatment works operation, routine preventative maintenance of units within the treatment system, critical spare parts inventory and record keeping; and
- f. A plan for the management and/or disposal of waste solids and residues.

Any changes in the practices and procedures followed by the permittee shall be documented and submitted for staff approval within 90 days of the effective date of the changes. Upon approval of the submitted manual changes, the revised manual becomes an enforceable part of the permit. Noncompliance with the O&M Manual shall be deemed a violation of the permit.

##### **2. Notification Levels**

The permittee shall notify the Department as soon as they know or have reason to believe:

- a. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in the discharge, on a routine or frequent basis, of any toxic pollutant which is not limited in this permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the following notification levels:
  - (1) One hundred micrograms per liter;
  - (2) Two hundred micrograms per liter for acrolein and acrylonitrile; five hundred micrograms per liter for 2,4-dinitrophenol and for 2-methyl-4,6-dinitrophenol; and one milligram per liter for antimony;
  - (3) Five times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the permit application; or
  - (4) The level established by the Board.
- b. That any activity has occurred or will occur which would result in any discharge, on a nonroutine or infrequent basis, of a toxic pollutant, which is not limited in this permit, if that discharge will exceed the highest of the following notification levels:
  - (1) Five hundred micrograms per liter;
  - (2) One milligram per liter for antimony;
  - (3) Ten times the maximum concentration value reported for that pollutant in the permit application; or
  - (4) The level established by the Board.

##### **3. Materials Handling/Storage**

Any and all products, materials, industrial wastes and/or other wastes resulting from the purchase, sale, mining, extraction, transport, preparation and/or storage of raw or intermediate materials, final product, by-product or wastes, shall be handled, disposed of and/or stored in such a manner so as not to permit a discharge of such product, materials, industrial wastes and/or other wastes to State waters, except as expressly authorized.

4. No Discharge of Detergents, Surfactants or Solvents to the Oil/Water Separators

There shall be no discharge of detergents, surfactants or solvents designed to emulsify oil to the oil/water separator; prohibiting oil recovery.

5. Oil/Water Separator Logs

At a minimum, the permittee shall check the level of the separator on a monthly basis. The permittee shall submit inspections and clean-outs performed on the treatment unit each month with the Discharge Monitoring Reports.

6. Stormwater Collection System Maintenance

The permittee shall maintain the stormwater collection system to ensure that adequate capacity exists to direct the runoff through the oil/water separator. Conveyances and inlets shall be inspected monthly and accumulated grit and debris removed as required.

7. Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Reopener

This permit shall be modified or alternatively revoked and reissued if any approved wasteload allocation procedure, pursuant to Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act, imposes wasteload allocations, limits or conditions on the facility that are not consistent with the permit requirements.

## CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL VPDES PERMITS

**A. Monitoring.**

1. Samples and measurements taken as required by this permit shall be representative of the monitored activity.
2. Monitoring shall be conducted according to procedures approved under Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 136 or alternative methods approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, unless other procedures have been specified in this permit.
3. The permittee shall periodically calibrate and perform maintenance procedures on all monitoring and analytical instrumentation at intervals that will insure accuracy of measurements.
4. Samples taken as required by this permit shall be analyzed in accordance with 1VAC30-45, Certification for Noncommercial Environmental Laboratories, or 1VAC30-46, Accreditation for Commercial Environmental Laboratories.

**B. Records.**

1. Records of monitoring information shall include:
  - a. The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;
  - b. The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
  - c. The date(s) and time(s) analyses were performed;
  - d. The individual(s) who performed the analyses;
  - e. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
  - f. The results of such analyses.
2. Except for records of monitoring information required by this permit related to the permittee's sewage sludge use and disposal activities, which shall be retained for a period of at least five years, the permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least 3 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period of retention shall be extended automatically during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the regulated activity or regarding control standards applicable to the permittee, or as requested by the Board.

**C. Reporting Monitoring Results.**

1. The permittee shall submit the results of the monitoring required by this permit not later than the 10th day of the month after monitoring takes place, unless another reporting schedule is specified elsewhere in this permit. Monitoring results shall be submitted to:

Department of Environmental Quality - Northern Regional Office (DEQ-NRO)  
13901 Crown Court  
Woodbridge, VA 22193

Monitoring results shall be reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) or on forms provided, approved or specified by the Department.

2. If the permittee monitors any pollutant specifically addressed by this permit more frequently than required by this permit using test procedures approved under Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 136 or using other test procedures approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or using procedures specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR or reporting form specified by the Department.
3. Calculations for all limitations which require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean unless otherwise specified in this permit.



**D. Duty to Provide Information.**

The permittee shall furnish to the Department, within a reasonable time, any information which the Board may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit or to determine compliance with this permit. The Board may require the permittee to furnish, upon request, such plans, specifications, and other pertinent information as may be necessary to determine the effect of the wastes from this discharge on the quality of state waters, or such other information as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of the State Water Control Law. The permittee shall also furnish to the Department upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

**E. Compliance Schedule Reports.**

Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit shall be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date.

**F. Unauthorized Discharges.**

Except in compliance with this permit, or another permit issued by the Board, it shall be unlawful for any person to:

1. Discharge into state waters sewage, industrial wastes, other wastes, or any noxious or deleterious substances; or
2. Otherwise alter the physical, chemical or biological properties of such state waters and make them detrimental to the public health, or to animal or aquatic life, or to the use of such waters for domestic or industrial consumption, or for recreation, or for other uses.

**G. Reports of Unauthorized Discharges.**

Any permittee who discharges or causes or allows a discharge of sewage, industrial waste, other wastes or any noxious or deleterious substance into or upon state waters in violation of Part II.F.; or who discharges or causes or allows a discharge that may reasonably be expected to enter state waters in violation of Part II.F., shall notify the Department of the discharge immediately upon discovery of the discharge, but in no case later than 24 hours after said discovery. A written report of the unauthorized discharge shall be submitted to the Department, within five days of discovery of the discharge. The written report shall contain:

1. A description of the nature and location of the discharge;
2. The cause of the discharge;
3. The date on which the discharge occurred;
4. The length of time that the discharge continued;
5. The volume of the discharge;
6. If the discharge is continuing, how long it is expected to continue;
7. If the discharge is continuing, what the expected total volume of the discharge will be; and
8. Any steps planned or taken to reduce, eliminate and prevent a recurrence of the present discharge or any future discharges not authorized by this permit.

Discharges reportable to the Department under the immediate reporting requirements of other regulations are exempted from this requirement.

**H. Reports of Unusual or Extraordinary Discharges.**

If any unusual or extraordinary discharge including a bypass or upset should occur from a treatment works and the discharge enters or could be expected to enter state waters, the permittee shall promptly notify, in no case later than 24 hours, the Department by telephone after the discovery of the discharge. This notification shall provide all available details of the incident, including any adverse affects on aquatic life and the known number of fish killed. The permittee shall reduce the report to writing and shall submit it to the Department within five days of discovery of the discharge in accordance with Part II.I.2. Unusual and extraordinary discharges include but are not limited to any discharge resulting from:

1. Unusual spillage of materials resulting directly or indirectly from processing operations;
2. Breakdown of processing or accessory equipment;
3. Failure or taking out of service some or all of the treatment works; and
4. Flooding or other acts of nature.

**I. Reports of Noncompliance.**

The permittee shall report any noncompliance which may adversely affect state waters or may endanger public health.

1. An oral report shall be provided within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The following shall be included as information which shall be reported within 24 hours under this paragraph:
  - a. Any unanticipated bypass; and
  - b. Any upset which causes a discharge to surface waters.
2. A written report shall be submitted within 5 days and shall contain:
  - a. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
  - b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and
  - c. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.

The Board may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis for reports of noncompliance under Part II.I. if the oral report has been received within 24 hours and no adverse impact on state waters has been reported.

3. The permittee shall report all instances of noncompliance not reported under Parts II, I.1. or I.2., in writing, at the time the next monitoring reports are submitted. The reports shall contain the information listed in Part II.I.2.

NOTE: The immediate (within 24 hours) reports required in Parts II, G., H. and I. may be made to the Department's Northern Regional Office at (703) 583-3800 (voice) or (703) 583-3821 (fax). For reports outside normal working hours, leave a message and this shall fulfill the immediate reporting requirement. For emergencies, the Virginia Department of Emergency Services maintains a 24-hour telephone service at 1-800-468-8892.

**J. Notice of Planned Changes.**

1. The permittee shall give notice to the Department as soon as possible of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility. Notice is required only when:
  - a. The permittee plans alteration or addition to any building, structure, facility, or installation from which there is or may be a discharge of pollutants, the construction of which commenced:
    - 1) After promulgation of standards of performance under Section 306 of Clean Water Act which are applicable to such source; or
    - 2) After proposal of standards of performance in accordance with Section 306 of Clean Water Act which are applicable to such source, but only if the standards are promulgated in accordance with Section 306 within 120 days of their proposal;
  - b. The alteration or addition could significantly change the nature or increase the quantity of pollutants discharged. This notification applies to pollutants which are subject neither to effluent limitations nor to notification requirements specified elsewhere in this permit; or
  - c. The alteration or addition results in a significant change in the permittee's sludge use or disposal practices, and such alteration, addition, or change may justify the application of permit conditions that are different from or absent in the existing permit, including notification of additional use or disposal sites not reported during the permit application process or not reported pursuant to an approved land application plan.
2. The permittee shall give advance notice to the Department of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.

**K. Signatory Requirements.**

1. All permit applications shall be signed as follows:
  - a. For a corporation: by a responsible corporate officer. For the purpose of this section, a responsible corporate officer means:
    - 1) A president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy- or decision-making functions for the corporation, or
    - 2) The manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities employing more than 250 persons or having gross annual sales or expenditures exceeding \$25 million (in second-quarter 1980 dollars), if authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures;
  - b. For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively; or
  - c. For a municipality, state, federal, or other public agency: by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official. For purposes of this section, a principal executive officer of a public agency includes:
    - 1) The chief executive officer of the agency, or
    - 2) A senior executive officer having responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency.
2. All reports required by permits, and other information requested by the Board shall be signed by a person described in Part II.K.1., or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:
  - a. The authorization is made in writing by a person described in Part II.K.1.;
  - b. The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity such as the position of plant manager, operator of a well or a well field, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company. (A duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position.); and
  - c. The written authorization is submitted to the Department.
3. Changes to authorization. If an authorization under Part II.K.2. is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of Part II.K.2. shall be submitted to the Department prior to or together with any reports, or information to be signed by an authorized representative.
4. Certification. Any person signing a document under Parts II, K.1. or K.2. shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

**L. Duty to Comply.**

The permittee shall comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of the State Water Control Law and the Clean Water Act, except that noncompliance with certain provisions of this permit may constitute a violation of the State Water Control Law but not the Clean Water Act. Permit noncompliance is grounds for enforcement action; for permit termination, revocation and reissuance, or modification; or denial of a permit renewal application.

The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants and with standards for sewage sludge use or disposal established under Section 405(d) of the Clean Water Act within the time provided in the regulations that establish these standards or prohibitions or standards for sewage sludge use or disposal, even if this permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

**M. Duty to Reapply.**

If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of this permit, the permittee shall apply for and obtain a new permit. All permittees with a currently effective permit shall submit a new application at least 180 days before the expiration date of the existing permit, unless permission for a later date has been granted by the Board. The Board shall not grant permission for applications to be submitted later than the expiration date of the existing permit.

**N. Effect of a Permit.**

This permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or invasion of personal rights, or any infringement of federal, state or local law or regulations.

**O. State Law.**

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action under, or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any other state law or regulation or under authority preserved by Section 510 of the Clean Water Act. Except as provided in permit conditions on "bypassing" (Part II.U.), and "upset" (Part II.V.) nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil and criminal penalties for noncompliance.

**P. Oil and Hazardous Substance Liability.**

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties to which the permittee is or may be subject under Sections 62.1-44.34:14 through 62.1-44.34:23 of the State Water Control Law.

**Q. Proper Operation and Maintenance.**

The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes effective plant performance, adequate funding, adequate staffing, and adequate laboratory and process controls, including appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by the permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit.

**R. Disposal of solids or sludges.**

Solids, sludges or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or management of pollutants shall be disposed of in a manner so as to prevent any pollutant from such materials from entering state waters.

**S. Duty to Mitigate.**

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or sludge use or disposal in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.

**T. Need to Halt or Reduce Activity not a Defense.**

It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

**U. Bypass.**

1. "Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility. The permittee may allow any bypass to occur which does not cause effluent limitations to be exceeded, but only if it also is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of Parts II, U.2. and U.3.
2. Notice
  - a. Anticipated bypass. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, prior notice shall be submitted, if possible at least ten days before the date of the bypass.
  - b. Unanticipated bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as required in Part II.I.
3. Prohibition of bypass.
  - a. Bypass is prohibited, and the Board may take enforcement action against a permittee for bypass, unless:
    - 1) Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
    - 2) There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and
    - 3) The permittee submitted notices as required under Part II.U.2.
  - b. The Board may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects, if the Board determines that it will meet the three conditions listed above in Part II.U.3.a.

**V. Upset.**

1. An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with technology based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of Part II.V.2. are met. A determination made during administrative review of claims that noncompliance was caused by upset, and before an action for noncompliance, is not a final administrative action subject to judicial review.
2. A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:
  - a. An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the cause(s) of the upset;
  - b. The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated;
  - c. The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in Part II.I.; and
  - d. The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under Part II.S.
3. In any enforcement proceeding the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

**W. Inspection and Entry.**

The permittee shall allow the Director, or an authorized representative, upon presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law, to:

1. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
2. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
3. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and
4. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purposes of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Clean Water Act and the State Water Control Law, any substances or parameters at any location.

For purposes of this section, the time for inspection shall be deemed reasonable during regular business hours, and whenever the facility is discharging. Nothing contained herein shall make an inspection unreasonable during an emergency.

**X. Permit Actions.**

Permits may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.

**Y. Transfer of permits.**

1. Permits are not transferable to any person except after notice to the Department. Except as provided in Part II.Y.2., a permit may be transferred by the permittee to a new owner or operator only if the permit has been modified or revoked and reissued, or a minor modification made, to identify the new permittee and incorporate such other requirements as may be necessary under the State Water Control Law and the Clean Water Act.
2. As an alternative to transfers under Part II.Y.1., this permit may be automatically transferred to a new permittee if:
  - a. The current permittee notifies the Department at least 30 days in advance of the proposed transfer of the title to the facility or property;
  - b. The notice includes a written agreement between the existing and new permittees containing a specific date for transfer of permit responsibility, coverage, and liability between them; and
  - c. The Board does not notify the existing permittee and the proposed new permittee of its intent to modify or revoke and reissue the permit. If this notice is not received, the transfer is effective on the date specified in the agreement mentioned in Part II.Y.2.b.

**Z. Severability.**

The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit, shall not be affected thereby.